

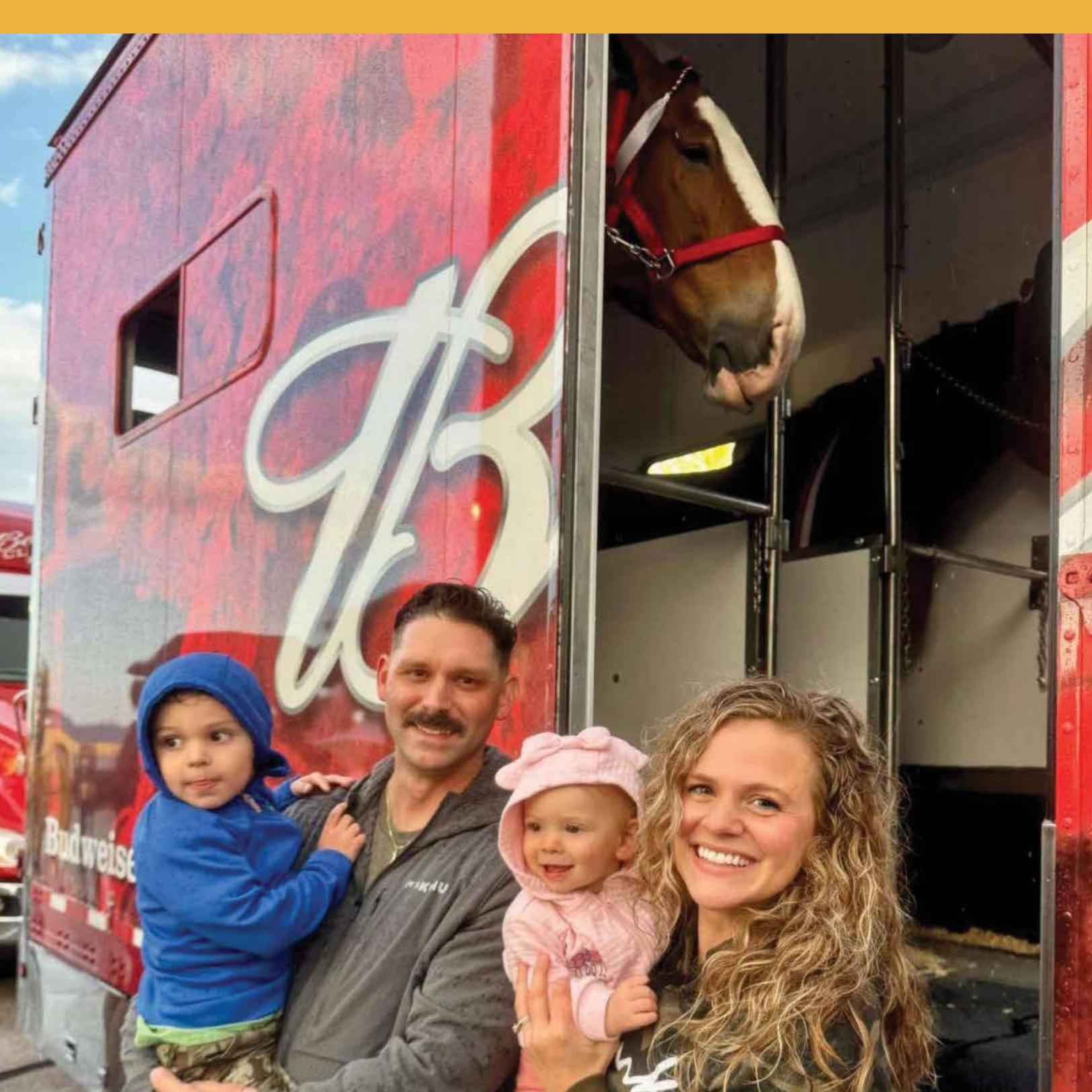


JACKSONVILLE

REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION



2025 ANNUAL REPORT
2026 SCOPE OF WORK



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



As we move into 2026, positive momentum continues to build across the Jacksonville region. The MakeMyMove talent attraction and relocation incentive program has proven to be a tremendous success, with seven new families choosing to call Jacksonville home.

Property renovation and rehabilitation efforts in downtown Jacksonville are drawing young professionals and generating strong community enthusiasm. In addition, funding from a recently awarded RISE Grant is enabling plans for a new residential housing development that will directly address the critical need for affordable workforce housing.

Several other strategic initiatives are also on the horizon. These include the development of a new comprehensive plan that will address TIF districts, enterprise zones, and business development districts. Encouraging progress, from both Local and State of Illinois leadership, continues toward the redevelopment of the former Jacksonville Developmental Center site. Further research and planning are underway for a proposed bike path connecting Nichols Park to Lake Jacksonville. These efforts represent just a few of the exciting initiatives currently in motion.

As my term concludes, I would like to sincerely thank our talented staff, dedicated board of directors, and faithful investors for their continued support of the JREDC mission.

Sincerely,

Kai D. Schnitker
Board Chairman

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As I reflect on the last nearly seven years of work with the Jacksonville Regional Economic Development Corporation, I am thankful. Thankful to the organization's leadership who decided to take a chance on a person with no official economic development experience on her résumé. Thankful to the investors who continued to bolster this organization during a time when it would have been easy to find other worthy causes to support. Thankful for the mentorship and counsel Bonni Waters provided me throughout my tenure at JREDC.

JREDC's Regional Plan provided solid foundation for my everyday work and I am proud of what we have achieved since 2019. Strengthening our talent pipeline has been at the forefront of virtually every conversation with regional employers. In response, we developed and launched a creative campaign to address workforce shortages that included a relocation incentive program to draw new residents to Morgan and Scott counties. We also worked with the Jacksonville Chamber to produce three fresh "live/work/invest" videos to showcase our beautiful and safe communities, low cost of living and vibrant quality of life. Our digital advertising campaign educated hundreds of thousands of people about the Jacksonville region by introducing them to our social media channels, JREDC's Employment Opportunities webpage and the Jacksonville Region's relocation incentive listing on MakeMyMove.com. As a result of these initiatives, seven new residents have moved to the Jacksonville region since 2024. They are now living here and working as engineers, scientists and analysts, and becoming more engrained in the culture of our community every day.

I have been encouraged by the goals JREDC realized through its regional economic development plan including increased broadband connectivity, completion of a regional re-branding effort, and the redevelopment and expansion of commercial properties in the region including the former Shopko and A.C. Humko properties - two derelict properties about which I was continually asked when I first began in this role. I am equally proud of the work in which JREDC has engaged to move the Jacksonville Developmental Center property closer to remediation and future redevelopment.

While I am finally settling into my new position at Jacksonville Memorial Hospital, I will forever be an advocate for the transformational work being done by the staff, leadership and board of directors at the Jacksonville Regional Economic Development Corporation.

Thank you,
Kristin Jamison
President

OUR INVESTORS



DIAMOND INVESTORS

(Annual Investment of \$25,000 or more)

City of Jacksonville
Morgan County
Rabbi Rob & Lauren Thomas



PLATINUM INVESTORS

(Annual Investment of \$10,000 - \$24,999)

Illinois Electric Cooperative
Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce
Jacksonville Memorial Hospital
Reynolds Consumer Products



GOLD INVESTORS

(Annual Investment of \$5,000 - \$9,999)

CNB Bank & Trust
The Farmers State Bank and Trust Company
Heartland Bank and Trust Company
i3 Broadband
Illinois College
Jacksonville Country Club
Nestlé
Prairie Power
Scott County Development Corporation
US Bank



SILVER INVESTORS

(Annual Investment of \$1,000 - \$4,999)

Ameren
Beard Implement Company
Benton Engineering
Bound to Stay Bound Books
Cass Communications
CCK Automations
City of Winchester
Community State Bank

Don's Place
Elm City Center
First National Bank of Arenzville
GFL Environmental
Hutchison Engineering Company
Illinois Road Contractors
Lincoln Land Community College
Marx Properties, Inc.
Mike Griffiths Properties
O'Shea Builders
Peak Insurance Agency
People's Bank & Trust
Petefish Skiles & Co. Bank
Rammelkamp Bradney Law Office
Tri County Community Development Corporation
Ware Brands
West State Title
Westermeyer Industries
Worrell Land Services, LLC
Zumbahlen Eyth Surratt Foote & Flynn



BRONZE INVESTORS

(Annual Investment of \$100 - \$999)

AgriSompo
Bellatti Law Office
Bonni Waters
Burrus Seed Farms
Cass-Morgan Farm Bureau
Dimond Bros. Insurance Agency
Duncan Management, Inc.
Eagle Valley Bank
Freeman Seed Company
Ginny Fanning
Golden Eagle Distributing
Hamilton's Catering
ILMO
Janet Chipman
Linda Standley
Pathway Services
Somercor

OUR MISSION

Since 1964, the mission of the Jacksonville Regional Economic Development Corporation has remained the same - to create, expand, recruit and retain job opportunities for Morgan and Scott counties.

In accordance with the Regional Economic Development Plan for Morgan and Scott Counties, the JREDC will continue our mission through:

- 1. Business Attraction:** Work with public and private sector partners to market available sites and buildings to attract new investment to the region.
- 2. Business Creation:** Assist partners to encourage and support start-ups and emerging businesses so more will survive and grow locally within the region.
- 3. Business Retention/Expansion:** Expand our business retention and expansion program, with assistance from our allies, to reach out to every large employer and many smaller ones at least once per year.
- 4. Workforce Development:** Collaborate with the Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce to implement a new workforce development approach - or talent attraction campaign - to meet the needs of today's changing business environment.





GOALS AND STRATEGIES

GOAL #1 IMPROVE THE REGION'S QUALITY OF PLACE

Strategies: Encourage vibrant downtowns; allow access to a reliable public infrastructure; invest in recreational and entertainment amenities; offer affordable housing and quality education; ensure availability and access to quality healthcare; and offer access to high-speed broadband..

GOAL #2 CREATE AN ENTREPRENEURIAL ECOSYSTEM

Strategies: Continue to promote the Morgan-Scott CEO Program and develop an alumni program; coordinate the development of a Regional Entrepreneurs Club allowing for networking events for prospective entrepreneurs to nurture business ideas; develop an Entrepreneurial Development Center that might include a business incubator, co-working space, a maker's space and resource center.

GOAL #3 STRENGTHEN THE REGION'S WORKFORCE

Strategies: Develop Morgan and Scott County Career Opportunities as a mentorship program to share local employment opportunities with sophomores, juniors and seniors in high school; provide support for the Jacksonville Promise with the potential of expanding to a regional program; fully promote and invest in the Talent Attraction Campaign program; develop a Regional Workforce Training Center to regional residents.

GOAL #4 HELP EXISTING BUSINESSES EXPAND AND GROW

Strategies: Serve as a conduit for assistance to regional businesses; create new incentives to provide resources to help existing firms grow; and obtain certification of a new regional enterprise zone.

GOAL #5 DEVELOP AVAILABLE PROPERTIES IN THE REGION

Strategies: Partner with local and regional real estate firms to find prospective businesses; develop and implement a digital and print marketing campaign; promote the region through available trade show cooperative partnerships; respond to RFPs and coordinate site visits; host site consultant familiarization tours; refresh the current JREDC website to integrate current information, maps and community tours; and pursue Brownfields Cleanup where necessary.

GOAL #6 CONSTRUCTIVELY ENGAGE COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS

Strategies: Organize quarterly events to discuss progress made toward goals and objectives; create a monthly newsletter to update regional partners on the latest news and developments in the region; and identify opportunities for community-based organizations to collaborate on important efforts.

GOAL #7 PURSUE DEVELOPMENT THAT DIVERSIFIES THE REGION'S ECONOMY

Strategies: Utilize print and digital media to promote the region as a prime location for its identified target industries; develop special sections within the JREDC website specifically focused on these target industries; contract with economic development lead generation firms to specifically market the region to targeted industries; increase tourism marketing to attract additional tourism opportunities and revenue; and partner with local colleges to provide training opportunities for growing local firms.

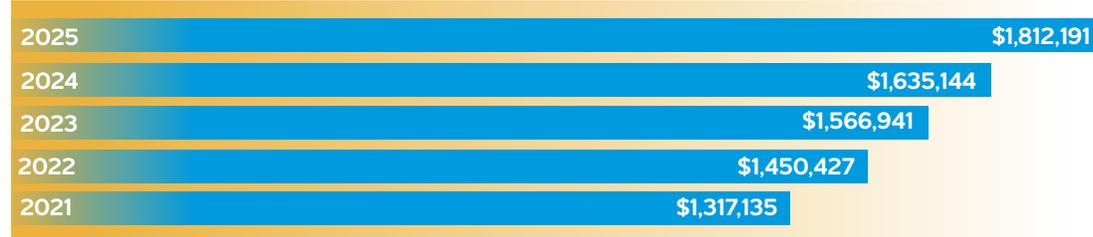




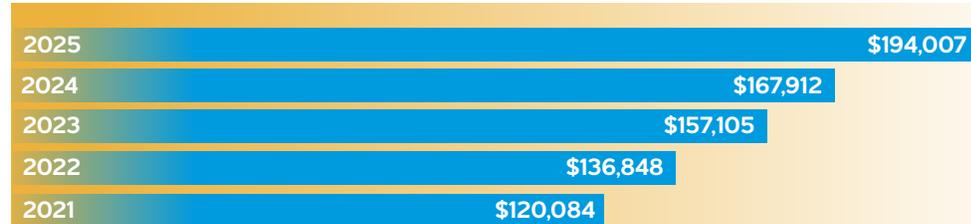
AREA-WIDE FACT & FIGURES

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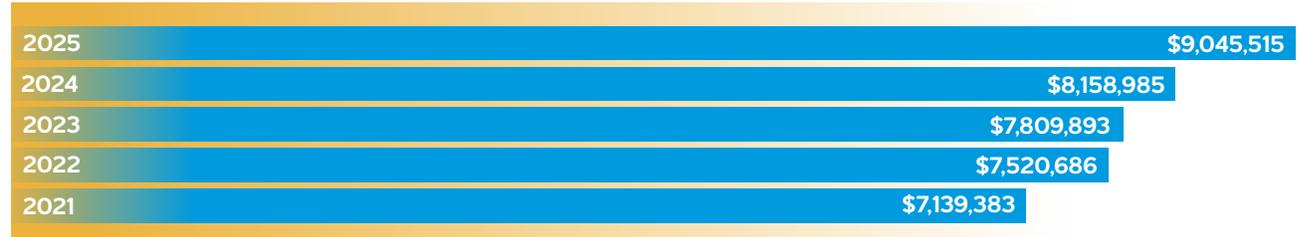
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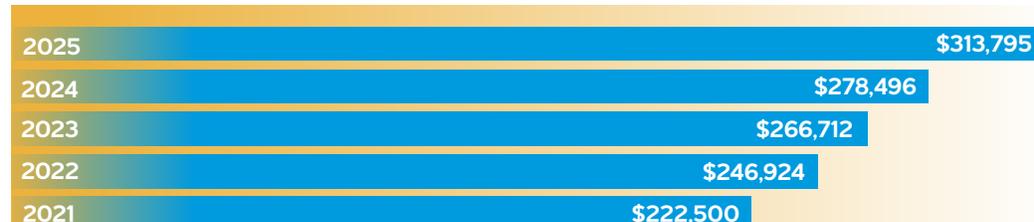
SCOTT COUNTY



CITY OF JACKSONVILLE

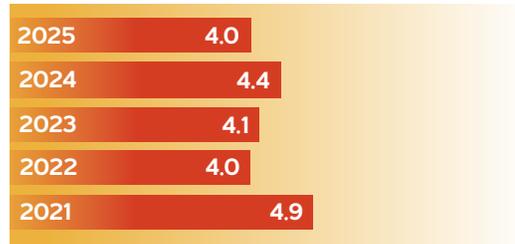


CITY OF WINCHESTER



UNEMPLOYMENT 2021-2025

MORGAN COUNTY

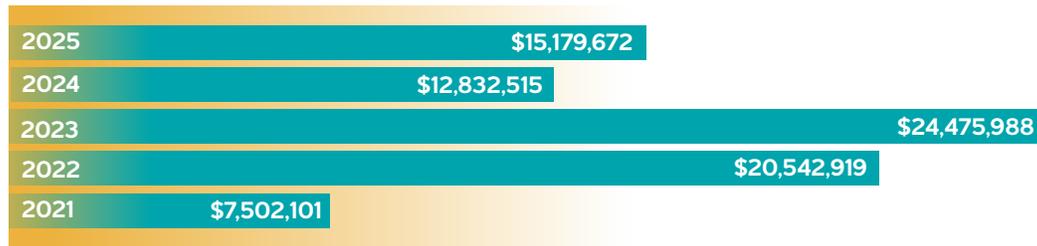


SCOTT COUNTY

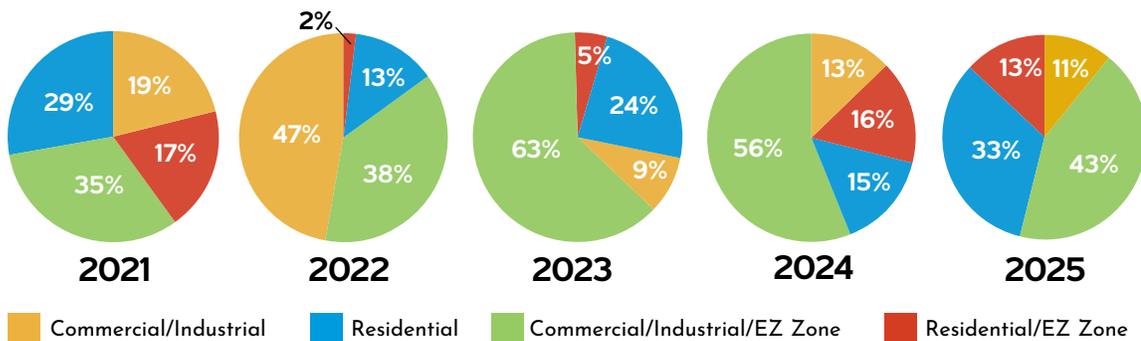


CITY OF JACKSONVILLE ENTERPRISE ZONE 2021-2025

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BUILDING PERMITS



BUILDING PERMITS & ENTERPRISE ZONE ACTIVITY 2021-2025



2026 BOARD & OFFICERS

OFFICERS

Chairman - Rob Lyman

Peoples Bank & Trust

Vice Chairman - Chris Gordon

Community State Bank

Secretary - Darin Gehrke

SomerCor

Assistant Secretary - Dan Beard

Bellatti Law Office

Treasurer - Jodee Nell,

CNB Bank & Trust

Immediate Past Chairman - Kai Schnitker

First National Bank of Arenzville

Meri Jones, US Bank

Robi Kozinski, i3 Broadband

Jennifer Kunzeman, Reynolds Consumer Products

Keri Mason, Lincoln Land Community College

Lisa Musch, Jacksonville Area Chamber

of Commerce

Brian Nyberg, City of Jacksonville

Community Development

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Rabbi Rob & Lauren Thomas

Pat VanDeVelde, Scott County

Development Corporation

Karen Walker, Jacksonville Area Chamber

of Commerce

Commissioner Mike Wankel, Morgan County

Brad Wilson, Rammelkamp Bradney Law Office

Chad Winters, Cass Communications

Allan Worrell, Worrell Land Services

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mike Anderson, Jacksonville Country Club

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Jim Burke, Hutchison Engineering Company

Martin Craig, Nestlé

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President Barbara Farley, Illinois College

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Jamie Headen, Benton Engineering

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Kristan Becker-Hoffman, The Farmers State Bank

and Trust Company

Beth Hopkins, City of Jacksonville

Trevor Huffman, Jacksonville Memorial Hospital

Kristin Jamison, Jacksonville Memorial Hospital



OUR MISSION

**THE JACKSONVILLE REGIONAL
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
WORKS TO RETAIN, EXPAND, CREATE
AND RECRUIT JOB OPPORTUNITIES
FOR MORGAN AND SCOTT COUNTIES.**

FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET

for year ending December 31 (unaudited)

ASSETS	2025	2024
Checking/Savings	\$129,041	\$159,421
Investment/Reserves	\$331,522	\$321,066
Fixed Assets - Furniture	\$27,529	\$27,529
Accum. Depreciation	-\$24,036	-\$23,662
Total Assets	\$464,155	\$484,353
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Retained Earnings	\$484,425	\$413,338
Net Income	-\$20,269	\$71,015
Total Equity	\$464,155	\$484,353

PROFIT & LOSS

for year ending December 31 (unaudited)

INCOME	2025	2024
Community Navigator	\$0	\$9,990
Enterprise Zone Fees	\$8,297.20	\$19,915
Interest Income	\$5,384.69	\$2,297
Investments	\$229,800	\$252,150
Other Income	\$1,747	\$13,177
Total Income	\$245,228.89	\$297,529
EXPENDITURES		
Personnel	\$155,598	\$164,633
Administrative	\$83,054	\$45,781
Marketing	\$22,202	\$13,272
Retention	\$4,269	\$2,295
Office Equipment	\$0	\$124
Depreciation Expenses	\$374	\$408
Total Expenses	\$265,124	\$226,513
Net Income	-\$20,269	\$71,015

2026 BUDGET

INCOME

Enterprise Zone	\$10,000
Interest Income	\$4,000
Investors	\$247,250
Other Income	\$10,000
Total Income	\$271,250

EXPENSES

Personnel	\$174,000
Administrative	\$63,475
Marketing	\$25,500
Retention	\$3,725
Equipment	\$500
Depreciation	\$408
Total Revenue	\$271,250
Total Expenses	\$267,608
Net Income	\$3,642





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